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~~active oxygen eliminating activity, said inhibitory agent
comprising an amount effective of trehalose for said
inhibition.~~

Claim 6 (amended), line 2 after "substance", delete
the previous amendment "in juicy form" and insert therefor
--in a juicy form--.

REMARKS

Applicants believe that the examiner may
misunderstand the present invention as regards the decrease of
active-oxygen-eliminating activity.

What is to be emphasized is that in the present
invention it is not the decrease of active-oxygen-eliminating
activity of an additive compound, but instead the decrease of
active-oxygen-eliminating activity of a food product as a
whole which is inhibited according to the present invention.
Thus, some foods inherently have an active-oxygen-eliminating
activity; however, when that food is sliced or disrupted or
has a plant-edible-part extracted therefrom, its active-
oxygen-eliminating activity decreases when the food is
processed and/or stored, i.e. the active-oxygen-eliminating
activity of the food product lessens over time. The present
invention inhibits the decrease of the active-oxygen-
eliminating activity of the food.